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In re Application of Kazuhiko Ohnishi et al. Application No. 10/761,400 Filed: January 22, 2004

ON PETITION

Attorney Docket No. KATA-188

This is a decision on the petition filed October 3, 2006, to revive the above identified application under 37 CFR 1.137(b)<sup>1</sup>.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to file a timely response to a Restriction Requirement mailed August 29, 2005, which set a one month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of the time for reply under 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed April 4, 2006.

The petition fee in the amount of \$1500.00 has been applied to the finance records for the instant patent application.

The response to the Restriction Requirement filed October 3, 2006 will be referred to Technology Center 1711 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Effective December 1, 1997, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) now provide that where the delay in reply was unintentional, a petition may be filed to revive an abandoned application or a lapsed patent pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b). A grantable petition filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) <u>must</u> be accompanied by:

<sup>(1)</sup> the required reply, unless previously filed. In a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application. In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof.

<sup>(2)</sup> the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m);

<sup>(3)</sup> a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. The Commissioner may required additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and